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Re: MUR 5031 – Chicago & Central States UNITE – PEC, James E. Skonicki,
Treasurer

Dear Ms. Boyt:

This is in response to the Federal Election Commission's letter of June 22, 2000 regarding MUR 5031. We ask that this matter be dismissed with respect to UNITE - PEC and that the Commission take no further action.

The complaint includes one paragraph that alleges that UNITE – PEC gave a contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund for the benefit of Lane Evans and thereby made an excessive contribution. Complaints are merely rehashing old ground and disingenuously fail to include the correspondence UNITE – PEC had in 1999 with the FEC that resolved this matter.

In February 1999, UNITE – PEC received a Request for Additional Information from the Reports Analysis Division asking UNITE – PEC to clarify whether its \$3,000 contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund “was an earmarked contribution... or if you made the contribution to the political committee exercising no direction or control over how the funds were to be used.” UNITE – PEC responded in a letter dated March 9, 1999, that the contribution was not earmarked for a particular candidate and that UNITE – PEC did not “exercise any control over how the contribution in question was used by the 17th District Victory Fund.” Copies of this exchange of correspondence are attached to this letter.



A MERGER OF THE AMALGAMATED CLOTHING AND TEXTILE WORKERS UNION & THE INTERNATIONAL LADIES GARMENT WORKERS UNION



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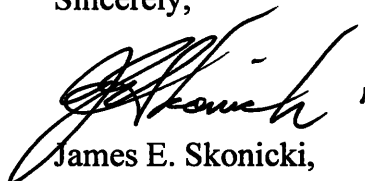
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UNITE – PEC filed an amended report to correct the administrative error that had originally been made giving rise to this question. The notation originally on the report was merely an administrative notation of who was responsible for soliciting the contribution for the party committee. UNITE – PEC gave the contribution with the full understanding that it would be used for the overall efforts of the 17th District Victory Fund and that the funds would be used by the Fund in its discretion.

UNITE – PEC heard nothing more from the FEC on this matter. This is the correct result in response to this complaint, as well. UNITE – PEC made a legal contribution to a local party committee, not earmarked or controlled in any way by UNITE – PEC. There was no violation of the campaign laws, and this matter should be dismissed.

Sincerely,



James E. Skonicki,
Treasurer

Attachments

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James E. Skonicki, Treasurer
Chicago & Central States Unite-PEC
333 South Ashland Avenue
Chicago, IL 60607

Identification Number: C00026096

Reference: 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/98-10/14/98)

Dear Mr. Skonicki:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B supporting Line 23 of your report discloses a contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund; however, you have disclosed "Transfer Lane Evans, Illinois 17th District" in the purpose of disbursement field. Please clarify whether this was an earmarked contribution made by your committee through the 17th District Victory Fund to this candidate, or if you made the contribution to the political committee exercising no direction or control over how the funds were to be used.

-For future reporting, please be advised that only contributions to federal candidates and political committees should be itemized on a separate Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Contributions to non-federal candidates and committees should be itemized on Schedule B supporting Line 29.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Debbie Chacona

Debbie Chacona
Senior Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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UNION OF NEEDLETRADES, INDUSTRIAL AND TEXTILE EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO-CLC

March 9, 1999

Debbie Chacona
Senior Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Committee Number C00026096

Dear Ms. Chacona:

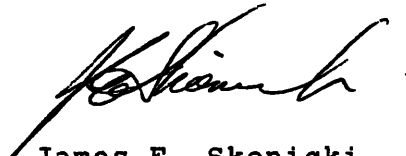
The purpose of this letter is to respond to your letter dated February 3, 1999, regarding Chicago & Central States UNITE PEC's (hereinafter "the Committee") \$3,000 contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund as reflected on the Committee's 1998 12 Day Pre-General Report.

The Committee's 10/7/98 contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund, a party committee, was not earmarked as a contribution to a particular candidate nor did the Committee exercise any control over how the contribution in question was used by the 17th District Victory Fund. Due to an administrative error, the purpose of the contribution was reported as a "transfer Lane Evans, Illinois 17th District". That description of the contribution was incorrect. The contribution should have been described as a "contribution" to the 17th District Victory Fund for 1998.

We have amended the Committee's 1998 12 Day Pre-General Report to describe the purpose of our contribution to the 17th District Victory Fund correctly. A copy of the amended report is appended hereto.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,



James E. Skonicki,
Treasurer

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REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For Other Than An Authorized Committee
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1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full) 000026096 JAMES E SKONICKI CHICAGO & CENTRAL STATES UNITED -FEC 333 SOUTH ASHLAND AVENUE CHICAGO IL 60607		2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER C00026096
		3. <input type="checkbox"/> This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

4. TYPE OF REPORT

(a) ☐ April 15 Quarterly Report

☐ July 15 Quarterly Report

☐ October 15 Quarterly Report

☐ January 31 Year End Report

☐ July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-election Year Only)

☐ Termination Report

Monthly Report Due On:

☐ February 20 ☐ June 20 ☐ October 20
☐ March 20 ☐ July 20 ☐ November 20
☐ April 20 ☐ August 20 ☐ December 20
☐ May 20 ☐ September 20 ☐ January 31

☒ Twelfth day report preceding General
(Type of Election)
election on 11/03/98 in the State of All State

☐ Thirtieth day report following the General Election on _____ in the State of _____

(b) Is this Report an Amendment? ☒ YES ☐ NO

SUMMARY		COLUMN A This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
5. Covering Period	10/01/98 through 10/14/98		
6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 1998			\$ 81,826.14
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period		\$ 84,770.04	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 19)		\$ 1,759.60	\$ 53,704.30
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)		\$ 86,529.64	\$ 135,530.44
7. Total Disbursements (from Line 30)		\$ 12,896.86	\$ 61,897.66
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))		\$ 73,632.78	\$ 73,632.78
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)		\$ None	For further information contact: Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463 Toll Free 800-424-9530 Local 202-219-3420
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D)		\$ None	
I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.			
Type or Print Name of Treasurer James E. Skonicki			
Signature of Treasurer			Date 03/08/99

NOTE. Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

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FEC FORM 3X
(revised 9/93)

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE

OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

PAGE 2, FEC FORM 3X

(revised 1/1/91)

NAME OF COMMITTEE		REPORT COVERING PERIOD	
Chicago & Central States, UNITE - PEC		FROM 10/01/98	TO 10/14/98
		COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year
I. Receipts			
11	Contributions (other than loans) From:		
a.	Individual/Persons Other Than Political Committees		
i.	Itemized (use Schedule A)	None	None
ii.	Unitemized	1,759.60	53,704.30
iii.	Total .. (add i and ii) ➡	1,759.60	53,704.30
b.	Political Party Committees	None	None
c.	Other Political Committees (such as PACs)	None	None
d.	Total Contributions .. (add a iii, b and c) ➡	1,759.60	53,704.30
12	Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees	None	None
13	All Loans Received	None	None
14	Loan Repayments Received	None	None
15	Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.)	None	None
16	Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees	None	None
17	Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.)	None	None
18	Transfers from Nonfederal Account for Joint Activity	None	None
19	Total Receipts .. (add 11d, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18) ➡	1,759.60	53,704.30
20	Total Federal Receipts .. (subtract line 18 from line 19) ➡	1,759.60	53,704.30
II. Disbursements			
21.	Operating Expenditures:		
a.	Shared Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
i.	Federal Share	None	None
ii.	Non-Federal Share	None	None
b.	Other Federal Operating Expenditures	3,032.86	32,283.66
c.	Total Operating Expenditures .. (add a i, a ii, and b) ➡	3,032.86	32,283.66
22.	Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees	None	None
23.	Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees	5,864.00	25,614.00
24.	Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)	None	None
25.	Coordinated Expenditures Made by Party Committees (2 U.S.C. 441a(d)) (use Schedule F) ..	None	None
26.	Loan Repayments Made	None	None
27.	Loans Made	None	None
28.	Refunds of Contributions To:		
a.	Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees	None	None
b.	Political Party Committees	None	None
c.	Other Political Committees (such as PACs)	None	None
d.	Total Contribution Refunds .. (add a, b and c) ➡	None	None
29.	Other Disbursements	4,000.00	4,000.00
30.	Total Disbursements .. (add 21c, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28d, and 29) ➡	12,896.86	61,897.66
31.	Total Federal Disbursements .. (subtract line 21 a ii from line 30) ➡	12,896.86	61,897.66
III. Net Contributions/Operating Expenditures			
32.	Total Contributions (other than loans)(from line 11d)	1,759.60	53,704.30
33.	Total Contribution Refunds (from line 28d)	None	None
34.	Net Contributions (other than loans)(subtract line 33 from 32)	1,759.60	53,704.30
35.	Total Federal Operating Expenditures .. (add 21 a i and 21 b) ➡	3,032.86	32,283.66
36.	Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from line 15)	None	None
37.	Net Operating Expenditures .. (subtract line 36 from 35) ➡	3,032.86	32,283.66

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SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS

Use separate schedule(s)
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21 (b)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Chicago & Central States UNITE - PEC

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Protéxall P.O. Box 1287 77 South Henderson Street Galesburg, IL 61402-1287	Purpose of Disbursement Purchase Union Jackets as contribution premiums Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year) 10/09/98	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 504.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Excelled Sheepskin P.O. Box 5928 New York, NY 10087	Purpose of Disbursement Purchase Union Jackets as Contribution premiums Disbursement for <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year) 10/09/98	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 2,528.86
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
D. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)

Chicago & Central States, UNITE - PEC

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Valley Vineyards Winery 2276 E. US 22 & 3 Morrow, OH 45152	Purpose of Disbursement Tickets Ted Strickland Ohio 6th District Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year) 10/07/98	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 114.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Bonior for Congress 237 S. Gratiot Mt. Clemon, MI 48043	Purpose of Disbursement Transfer David Bonior Michigan 10th District Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year) 10/07/98	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 5,000.00
C. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code David Steele P.O. Box 476 Logansport, IN 46947	Purpose of Disbursement Transfer David Steele Indiana 5th District Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Date (month, day, year) 10/09/98	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period 750.00
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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)

Chicago & Central States, UNITE - PEC

A. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Purpose of Disbursement Contribution	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
The 17th District Victory Fund P.O. Box 4482 Rock Island, IL 61204	Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	10/07/98	3,000.00
B. Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code Bill Hoppner for Governor 8631 "F" Street Omaha, NE 68127	Purpose of Disbursement Contribution Disbursement for: <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	10/07/98	1,000.00
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